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House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-3902

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$485,000 in funding for emergency services equipment for the Town of Johnston, Rhode Island in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Johnston, Rhode Island, located at 1385 Hartford Avenue, Johnston, Rhode Island 02919, who will administer the funding to the police department

The funding would be used to purchase emergency services equipment. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the department serves almost 30,000 individuals and over 850 businesses ranging from one or two person operations, to large shipping fulfillment centers and grocery stores. As a small, but rapidly growing jurisdiction, the department relies heavily on their emergency response equipment to meet the needs of the community and any enhancement in their ability to respond to both critical incidents and routine requests would benefit the residents and businesses of Johnston. The emergency services equipment will allow for improved communications and response times, will help improve traffic flow and reduce accidents, and will increase officer safety.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with, and supportive of, the Office of Justice Programs' mission and aligned with one or more of the purposes described in the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely

Member of Congress